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Sent: 6/4/2020 4:53:14 PM
To: Diegelman, Paul [PAUL.H.DIEGELMAN@hud.gov]
Subject: RE: QUESTION: Contact for Any Housing Improvements for Low-Income Owners

Thanks, Paul, the residents' houses are in ill-repair, many with collapsed basements and no-longer-working furnaces or water heaters.

Thanks again!
Maryann

From: Diegelman, Paul <PAUL.H.DIEGELMAN@hud.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 11:51 AM
To: Suero, Maryann <suero.maryann@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: QUESTION: Contact for Any Housing Improvements for Low-Income Owners

I also forwarded this to our deputy Regional Administrator for his thoughts.

"Yesterday is not ours to recover, but tomorrow is ours to win or lose."
Lyndon B. Johnson

From: Suero, Maryann <suero.maryann@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 12:10 PM
To: Diegelman, Paul <PAUL.H.DIEGELMAN@hud.gov>
Subject: RE: QUESTION: Contact for Any Housing Improvements for Low-Income Owners

I don't think this would be available to the people of Centreville since they're not a part of the city of East St. Louis...and I think the city of Centreville is pretty lacking in basic capacity.

Thanks for trying!

maryann

From: Diegelman, Paul <PAUL.H.DIEGELMAN@hud.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 10:46 AM
To: Suero, Maryann <suero.maryann@epa.gov>
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The City's Economic Development Division may use Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for an issue as this.

<https://www.cesl.us/206/Programs-Services>

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Programs & Services 9. 1. 1. 2. Business Retention & Attraction Program. The Business Retention and Attraction Program is designed to be a flexible, custom-designed financing program to assist East St. Louis business property owners with expanding their operations in East St. Louis, as well as select businesses wishing to establish operations ...

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From: Suero, Maryann <suero.maryann@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 9:02 AM

To: Diegelman, Paul <PAUL.H.DIEGELMAN@hud.gov>

Subject: QUESTION: Contact for Any Housing Improvements for Low-Income Owners

Hi Paul,

I hope all is as well as can be with you today, given the state of the world...

I was recently contacted by someone representing a group of residents in a very poor community in Illinois, near East St. Louis which has experienced persistent failures of its sewage infrastructure, leading to backups in residents' homes and yards. Because the area is served by and/or affected by multiple systems, it's somewhat of a perfect storm situation.

My question is whether you're familiar with any HUD programs that might help in this situation. And if you are familiar, who at Region 5 might be the right person(s) to bring into a multi-federal agency discussion of resources that can be brought to bear in the area. It sounds as if there might be some interest in the situation from Senator Duckworth's office, but I don't have confirmation of that.

The owners have lived in their homes for 20+ years, are mostly elderly and now can't even enjoy their homes. I am sharing this February newspaper [article](#) about the issues these folks are facing.

Thanks, in advance...stay safe!
maryann